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## **MS-ACEP Updates**

**Utsav Nandi, MD, MSCI, FACEP**

**Outgoing President, Mississippi Chapter ACEP**

Dear MS-ACEP,

Thank you to everyone that attended our Annual Meeting. It was great seeing old friends as well as meeting students and residents passionate about emergency care in Mississippi!

And if you haven't seen it already, two of our members were recently elected to MSMA positions at their recent Annual Meeting – Dr. Jackson to the Work Team for the AMA delegation and Max Keeling as the resident representative on the council on Legislation.

Congratulations!

I wanted to share a few updates from our meeting with everyone:

1. Thank you to everyone for your votes on our new Bylaws which are in effect now. Amongst other changes, this lets us move all our voting to electronic methods and also creates new opportunities for interested members to be involved in Board of Director (BoD) discussions and learn from some of our experienced Councillors.
2. Speaking of the BoD, we will have a few open Board positions for 2023. Pat will be sending out the nominations and subsequently the voting forms electronically over the next few weeks. Keep an eye out on your engagED notifications.
3. We had some discussion around policy and resolutions regarding firearm safety and injury prevention, and I wanted to share [ACEP's official policy statement](#).

4. We also had some discussions about EMTALA in a post *Roe* world and I wanted to let you know that ACEP, and its DC office, is [actively working on this](#). The latest guidance seems to be that EMTALA should be upheld in all cases, and ACEP staff are evaluating some of the nuances and state specific laws.

5. We also had some discussion around state policy on improving access to and care for women and children and there is a Senate Committee currently looking at this: the bipartisan Study Group on Women, Children and Families. They plan to hold hearings at the state Capitol next month and are requesting written testimony be emailed to [WCFStudyGroup@senate.ms.gov](mailto:WCFStudyGroup@senate.ms.gov)

6. We also reiterated our commitment to work with MSMA and other partners on scope of practice issues, which will surely come up again next year.

In other news, ACEP continues to follow the development of the No Surprises Act. You can read a brief post on the recently proposed final rule [here](#) and [here](#) for highlights of some of the major policies and their implications on you as emergency physicians. ACEP has a new Monkeypox guide that is updated regularly. Click [here](#) to access this field guide.

This will be my last official newsletter as President and I wanted to say THANK YOU to all of you! It has been an absolute honor and privilege to serve as your President for these 2 years and I greatly enjoyed learning from all of you.

I am excited for you to get to know your new president, Dr. John Pettey Sandifer, over the next few months. Aside from being a great doctor and person, JP is a long time mentor and friend and I look forward to continuing our work together to serve our patients and physicians in Mississippi.

Hope you have a great rest of the summer, and hope to meet some of you at [ACEP22](#) in San Francisco.

Utsav

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## Welcome New MS-ACEP Members!

Kate B Alemann, MD  
Siham Almousa  
Lucius C Andrews, Jr, MD, FACEP  
Jason Begue, MD, FACEP  
Heather Dawn DeVille, MD  
Shaelynn Duhamel  
John A Escobedo, MD  
Morgan Finn, DO  
Dustin A Freeman, DO  
Zachery Aaron Glenn, MD  
Steven T Haywood, MD, FACEP  
Branden Hervol, MD  
Amanda Mae Huffman, DO  
Sydney James

Rachel Anne Jones, MD  
Omar Khan, DO  
Matthew P Pinto  
Joel Anthony Powell  
Bradley H Reinke, MD  
John Nathan Rhodes, MD  
Jacob Rice, MD  
Blake Sanders, DO  
LaLainia Marie Secreti, MD, FACEP  
Natalie-Rose Smith, DO  
Gabrielle N Snyder, MD  
Kevin Taylor  
Jasmine C Tetley, DO  
Matthew Trahan, MD  
Anthony Tran  
Mary Glenn Waldrop, MD  
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### ACEP Resources & Latest News

**Monkeypox:** Utilize [ACEP's monkeypox resources](#), including the [Monkeypox Field Guide](#) and the [Monkeypox EM Project](#).

**The Wait is Over — The No Surprises Act Final Reg is Out!**

- The [latest edition of Regs & Eggs](#) highlights some of the major policies and their implications on you as emergency physicians.
- [Read ACEP's comprehensive summary](#) of the final rule of the *No Surprises Act* that came out on August 19. See the specific provisions ACEP has been fighting for and how they were incorporated into the rule.
- **Related study:** [Insurer QPA calculation may violate No Surprises Act](#)

**Apply for ACEP's Reimbursement Leadership Development Program by Sept. 8.** ACEP is sponsoring three members to attend several key events in order to train the future leaders in EM reimbursement. Commitment is estimated at 25 days of travel during the 18-month program. [Learn more.](#)

### **Advocating for Physician-Led Care Teams**

As part of our advocacy to combat dangerous policies allowing non-physicians to practice medicine without physician supervision, ACEP just released another entry in our My Experience Matters video series. This campaign amplifies the voices of members who began their career in another role on the care team. This time, we hear from Ricki Brown-Forestiere, MD, who began her medical career as a physician assistant. She was told her PA training would prepare her to do pretty much everything a physician does, but nothing could have been further from the truth. [Hear about it in her Doc Blog](#). **Related:** [Learn more about ACEP's efforts](#) to protect the physician-led care team.

### **Advocacy at Home Toolkit: Connect with your Legislators**

Elected officials are back in their districts for the month and our [Advocacy At Home: August Recess Toolkit](#) can help you set and prepare for local meetings with federal legislators or staff. This is a great time to share your stories that personalize our calls for policy changes. Find this toolkit and more helpful resources for speaking with media and legislators in [ACEP's Media Hub](#).

### **Myth BustED: Patients' Rights in the Emergency Department**

ACEP recently launched a "Myth BustED" video series to debunk common misconceptions and educate the public about emergency care. In our first video—[Patients' Rights in the Emergency Room](#)—Dr. Avir Mitra educates patients about laws like EMTALA and the Prudent Layperson Standard that protect access to emergency care. [Watch now to see how ACEP is encouraging patients to always seek care when they need it.](#)

### **ACEP22 Countdown**

There are only 34 days left until the ACEP Scientific Assembly in San Francisco. While you're in trip-planning mode, keep these recent updates in mind:

- **Get Your Bike Helmet Ready! Dr. and Lady Glaucomflecken** [are speaking at ACEP22!](#) Don't miss these social media sensations as they share their perspectives about the physician, patient and family experience.
- **Family:** [Affordable childcare is available on site](#), but it does require pre-registration so we can ensure appropriate staffing.

**Flights:** ACEP partner TripEasy could help you [save money on your flights](#) to the Bay Area.

**Hotels:** Many of our [convention hotels have recently lowered their rates](#). If you've already booked, your rate will automatically be adjusted to reflect the new prices

### **New Bedside Tools for Posterior Circulation Ischemic Stroke, Cancer Complications**

- [Dizzy+](#) is focused on the recognition and treatment of posterior circulation ischemic stroke.
- [ImmunoTox](#) is focused on caring for patients who are experiencing adverse events related to cancer immunotherapy.

### **Introducing the EM Opioid Advisory Network**

Receive clinical guidance, discover tools and resources, and get your questions answered through ACEP's EM Opioid Advisory Network. ACEP's new initiative

connects emergency physicians combating the opioid crisis with expert advice on managing Opioid Use Disorder patients presenting in the ED, creating a protocol to initiate buprenorphine, and more. The expert panel is here to help ALL emergency health care professionals, free of charge. [Learn more.](#)

**Virtual Grand Rounds: Trauma is coming up Aug. 31.** [Register today.](#)

**Podcast:** Podcast: This week in our ACEP Frontline author series, Dr. Jay Baruch talks about his new book, "**Tornado of Life: A Doctor's Journey Through Constraints and Creativity in the ER.**" [Listen now.](#)

### **Now Accepting ACEP23 Course Proposals**

As we start our countdown to ACEP22 in San Francisco, we're already thinking about ACEP23 in Philadelphia! ACEP's Educational Meetings Subcommittee is now accepting course proposals for the 2023 Scientific Assembly. [Learn more.](#)

**In Memoriam:** [ACEP remembers emergency medicine pioneer Jim Roberts, MD, FACEP.](#) One of the first five board-certified emergency medicine physicians, Dr. Roberts became a household name in our specialty through his authorship of *Clinical Procedures in Emergency Medicine and Acute Care*, a prominent book that printed seven editions.

## **Upcoming ACEP Events and Deadlines**

**Aug. 31:** [Virtual Grand Rounds – Trauma](#)

**Aug. 31:** Last day to bid on items in the [EMF Silent Auction](#)

**Sept. 15:** [When We Don't Have Workers, We Need to Change the Work](#)

**Sept. 19:** [GEDs and Patient Safety Innovations](#)

**Sept. 22:** [The Challenge of Rural Emergency Care During the Pandemic and After](#)

**Sept. 22:** [Management of the Well-Appearing Febrile Young Infant: Integrating the AAP Guideline into Practice](#)

**Oct. 1-4:** [ACEP Scientific Assembly](#) in San Francisco

**Oct. 17-22:** [EM Basic Research Skills \(EMBRs\)](#)

**Nov. 11:** Last day to submit [ACEP23 course proposals](#)

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